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An Editorial

The Spy Behind The Old School Tie

Would you believe that the head of the British secret service was a Soviet agent?

Well, would you believe that the man who almost became head of the British secret service, and did in fact lead the counter-espionage section, was a Soviet agent?

THE ANSWERS TO THESE QUESTIONS LEAD THE COLUMN AT THE TOP OF OUR BACK PAGE TODAY BY ANTHONY LEJEUNE, THIS NEWSPAPER'S BRITISH CORRESPONDENT.

It seems incredible, but it is true, that for 30 years a Communist called Philby had wormed his way successfully into the highest ranks of British intelligence. At one time he was stationed at the British Embassy in Washington and was the British secret intelligence service chief liaison man with the CIA.

Imagine the secrets this man dispatched to his Russian masters!

When this newspaper and other organizations which know the extent of the Communist conspiracy in this nation and in the world tell people about it, very often we are met by disbelief. People feel that somehow this type of spying only happens in mystery novels, movies and TV scenarios.

But it does happen in real life, as the case of Kim Philby proves.

The publisher of this newspaper, as we have said before, is one of the few U. S. citizens who ever penetrated the Communist Party without becoming a Communist or working for the FBI.

We have seen some of these Communist agents — not the tough ones, of course, but the

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"nice" ordinary people. If you saw them in everyday life, you would never suspect them. These Communists look like ordinary people, they dress like other U. S. citizens, they enjoy the same things other people enjoy, and to all outward appearances they lead perfectly normal lives.

But there is one great difference. These people are owned, body and soul, by the Communist Party. They will do anything the Communist Party or the Soviet Union wants them to do. They are fanatics.

Somehow their mild outward appearance fools a great many people. Many just can't believe that such individuals are Communists.

This publisher recalls warning the publisher of a very large newspaper that one of his editors was constantly publishing pro-Soviet editorials and that he was either a member of the Communist Party or under Communist control.

The reply was received to the effect that this was "impossible." No one wore his evening clothes in a more distinguished manner and no one was a more pleasant host to the many visitors who had graced the dinner table of this distinguished publisher!

U. S. citizens seem always to be hopelessly naive and simple-minded when it comes to understanding that appearances are not always what they seem to be.

If you read Mr. Lejeune's article you can see that the British are equally simple-minded.

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